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Dear Figure

In response to your latter of December 2nd enclosing Ambassador Hughes' cable I have had our people review the article in the Charent Intelligence Wookly on NATO which seemed to upset the Ambassador. We concluded that the article was correct in all details of fact and that any misleading impression that could arise from its choice of words does not warrant putting out an amendment at this late date. I am sure you will agree that the October observations on the western alliance seem like pretty ancient history in view of December developments.

So unless you feel ver strongly about the matter, I propose to let it drop. As a result of this exercise, though, you can be sure we shall take particular pains to review with care future articles which touch on the assessment of progress in which the United States plays a major role.

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